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	Filing Date	March 10, 2000		
	Group Art Unit	Not yet known		
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**A DEVICE FOR PROTECTING A COVER, THE USE OF A DEVICE FOR PROTECTING A COVER, A METHOD OF FITTING A COVER ON A PROBE, AND A METHOD OF MAKING A DEVICE FOR PROTECTING A COVER**

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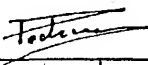
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